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In re the Application of:

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For: HYDRODYNAMIC BEARING  
RUNNER FOR USE IN TILTING  
PAD THRUST BEARING  
ASSEMBLIES FOR ELECTRIC  
SUBMERSIBLE PUMPS

Art Unit: 3746

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Applicants wish to make of record in the above-identified application the document or documents referenced on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of each reference is enclosed herewith.

The cited references are mentioned at page 2 of the present specification and are believed relevant for at least that reason.

The undersigned believes that this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application. Accordingly, Applicants do not believe that a fee is due for filing this paper. However, should a first action on the merits have been issued on the same day or before this Information Disclosure Statement is filed, please accept this Information Disclosure Statement under Rule 97(c) and

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1	4,676,668	06/30/87	IDE	384	117	04/24/86	
2	5,125,754	06/30/92	IDE	384	122	06/04/90	
3	5,137,373	08/11/92	IDE	384	117	02/08/89	
<b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
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